

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT ARLINGTON
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
July 9, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

The July 9th Mount Arlington Borough Council meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

2. Adequate Notice

Notice of this meeting has been given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows:

Notice published in the Daily Record and the Roxbury Register on December 13, 2018 and posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on December 6, 2018. Notice is also on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.), the Borough Council opens every public meeting for comments of the public. However, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: "Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the discretion of a public body to permit, prohibit or regulate the active participation at any meeting,...."

Accordingly, speakers at Borough meetings shall have five minutes to present their comments to the Borough Council so as not to consume time that would otherwise be allotted to other persons who wish to speak.

3. Flag Salute

Mayor Stanzilis led the salute to the flag. The Mayor then asked for a moment of silence for all our brave men and women who serve in the armed forces here and abroad.

4. Roll Call

Councilman Loughridge, Council President Delaney, Councilman Sadow, Councilwoman Galate, and Mayor Stanzilis were present.

Elizabeth Valandingham, Esq., Borough Attorney, and Carolyn Rinaldi, CFO and Borough Administrator, were also present. Councilwoman Farris and Councilman Cangiano were absent

5. Presentations

None

6. Tax and Utility Report for the Month of April and May

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| April: | |
| Total Tax Collections: | \$3,105,494.83 |
| Total Utility Collections: | \$ 297,654.72 |
| Total Collections for April: | \$3,403,149.55 |

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| May: | |
| Total Tax Collections: | \$1,434,698.76 |
| Total Utility Collections: | \$ 200,067.43 |
| Total Collections for May: | \$1,634,766.19 |

7. Finance Report

None

8. Approval of Minutes

None

9. Mayor's Report

Mayor Stanzilis reported he attended the Lake Hopatcong Commission meeting last night with local officials, state senators, assembly personnel as well as the Commissioner of the DEP to discuss the harmful bacteria algal bloom in Lake Hopatcong. Mayor Stanzilis will defer the commission report to Ann Pravs who is Mount Arlington's representative on the LH Commission. The second meeting was held at Lake Hopatcong High School where Princeton Hydro and DEP representatives were present. About 300 people attended this meeting. The public had a chance to ask questions and develop a better understanding of the algal blooms.

Mayor Stanzilis introduced Mrs. Pravs. She handed out commission cards related to algal blooms and phosphorus. Mrs. Pravs reported that a portion of the meeting was spent defining phosphorus and phosphorus sources as it related to the harmful algae. The lake is under an advisory not to swim; the lake is not closed. It is open to boaters and all business including restaurants remain open.

Mrs. Pravs went on to report that the use of phosphorus lawn fertilizer can run off into the lake with storm water which is a nutrient for weeds. That coupled with the fact the weed harvesting has not been funded over the past few years has contributed to the algal bloom issue we are seeing today.

Additional contributing factors to the health of the lake include:

- Use of Algicides in coves where weed harvesting equipment cannot go
- Warmer weather and high amount of rain fall
- Valent trucking company had an oil spill which leaked king into the lake. NJDEP has constructed an oil berm to prevent oil from entering the lake.
- Weldon quarry had an explosion in a retention basin transport pipe which released silt into the tributary and then into Prospect Point cove. Silt contains a massive amount of phosphorus. NJDEP issued three notices of violation; two for violating the water pollution control act and one for violating the freshwater wetland protection act. Weldon has constructed a silt berm to minimize the passage of silt to the lake.

Water quality tests continue; Mount Arlington beach contains high levels of bacteria. The DEP recommends towns need stormwater management plans in place as well as fertilizer regulations. Mount Arlington has a stormwater management plan and fertilizer plan in place through ordinances.

Mayor Stanzilis thanked Mrs. Pravis for her detailed report and for being so well prepared.

Mike Walraven from 150 McGreggor Avenue mentioned one pound of phosphorus supports 2100 pounds of algal or green matter. He stated that the best way to prevent the algal boom is through stormwater management and through the installation of sewer systems. In those area where sewers are not available a well-managed septic pumping process is necessary. Mount Arlington Borough has all of these measures in place.

10. Chief of Police Report

None

11. Borough Administrator’s Report

Mrs. Rinaldi reported that the property maintenance issues identified in the last Borough Council meeting have been addressed. The Mountainview complaint was addressed immediately; the grass has been cut and the home owners have exchanged contact information so they have worked out a plan to cut the trees.

The other issue was related to a boat house on McGregor Avenue. The Police Chief confirmed they have been to the property, but found no issues including no parking issues. Regarding the assumption the boat house is a rental; the zoning office issued a letter to the property owner requesting they complete the Landlord registration form.

12. Council Committee Reports

Councilman Loughridge:

Councilman Loughridge reported that Parks and Recreation has been very busy this month working on the following activities:

- Senior Yoga held at the library once a week is very well attended
- Yoga on the beach Sunday mornings is also well attended
- Women’s volleyball – attendance dropped
- Youth Art Camp – attendance dropping as the summer moves on. We may have to cancel the third summer session
- Ga-Ga-Ball – 12 pieces of structures four foot by four foot to be stored at DPW
- Community Garden has 26 plots with lots of activity
- Beach Bash – Well attended with fireworks

Councilwoman Galate:

Councilwoman Galate reported that Chief Licata is in Scotland attending the Chiefs of Police course.

Councilman Sadow:

Councilman Sadow reported he expects to see a great turn out tomorrow during the Elks Senior meeting where Mayor Stanzilis will be reporting on the Consolidation process. Councilman Sadow noted that over 50% of the voting public in town are seniors.

Council President Delaney:

Council President Delany had nothing to report.

13. Public Comment

None

14. New Business

None

15. Old Business

None

16. Ordinances – Introduction

None

17. Ordinances – Second Reading

Ordinance 11-19

Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Providing for the Purchase of a Fingerprint Scanner:

The Mayor opened the Hearing to the Public

No Public Comment

The Mayor closed the Hearing to the Public

Motion: Councilman Loughridge stated: I move for adoption and final passage of Ordinance 11-19

Second: Councilman Sadow

No Council Discussion

Roll Call:
Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Delaney
Opposed: None
Motion Approved

18. Resolutions – Vote By Consent

Resolutions 2019-110 through 2019-123, excluding 2019-111

2019-110 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Check Register Dated July 9, 2019

2019-112 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To remove item from the Fixed Asset Ledger (Jeep Liberty Asset Number 20600621)

2019-113 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To remove item from the Fixed Asset Ledger (Dodge Charger Asset Number 00247)

2019-114 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Supporting Passage of Assembly Bill No. A-5242.

2019-115 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Redeem a Third Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale #15-00024 for Property Known as Block 45, Lot 1 QUAL C008

2019-116 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Redeem a Third Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale #16-00002 for Property Known as Block 20 Lot 12

- 2019-117** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, To Redeem a Third Party Tax Lien Certificate of Sale #17-00002 for Property Known as Block 2 Lot 49
- 2019-118** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Delineating Salary Amounts and Rates for the Year 2019
- 2019-119** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, hiring Lauren Schaeffner as a Full time Tax and Utility Clerk
- 2019-120** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Execution of UECA-2-RT 90 Howard-153510 Municipal Utility Engineering and Construction Agreement (UECA)
- 2019-121** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Rejecting All Bids for the 2018 NJDOT Road Restoration Project
- 2019-122** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Requesting the Court to Review and Approve an Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan
- 2019-123** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Appointing a Municipal Administrative Agent Pursuant to Article XVII Affordable Housing Obligations, Chapter 17 Land Development

Motion to Approve: Council President Delaney
 Second: Councilman Sadow
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Delaney
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved

- 2019-111** Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Approving the Corrective Action Plan Recommended in the Annual Report of Audit for 2019

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sadow
 Second: Council President Delaney

 Council Discussion:
 Councilman Sadow mentioned that the Audit Corrective Action is one which can be achieved this year. Mrs. Rinaldi stated the audit pointed out that adequate segregation of duties is lacking. As a small municipality it is a challenge to remove this audit comment. It is an audit acknowledgment rather than a corrective action item.

Roll Call:
 Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Delaney
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved

19. Motions

Vendor Permit

- Aptive Environmental Solicitation Application – Residential pest control delivery to customers at their home

Motion to Approve: Councilman Loughridge
 Second: Council President Delaney
 Roll Call:
 All in Favor: Aye
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved

20. Executive Session

2019-124 Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Mount Arlington, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing An Executive Session of the Mayor and Borough Council and Excluding the Public from that Portion of the Meeting

Attorney/Client Privilege:
 - Pending Litigation
 - Sale of Borough Property
 - Landfill Redevelopment Project

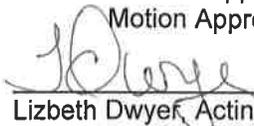
Action May or May Not Be Taken.

Motion to go into Executive: Council President Delaney
 Second: Councilman Sadow
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Loughridge, Sadow, Galate, Council President Delaney
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved

Motion to come out of Executive: Council President Delaney
 Second: Councilman Sadow
 Roll Call:
 Aye: Loughridge, Simard, Sadow, Cangiano, Galate
 Council President Delaney
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved

21. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Council President Delaney
 Second: Councilman Loughridge
 Roll Call:
 All in Favor: Aye
 Opposed: None
 Motion Approved



 Lizbeth Dwyer, Acting Borough Clerk